

made by the Bulgarian people, which he said, would assure their moral and material progress and preserve their independence. Alluding to the army he said it was worthy of the nation's confidence.

TURIN, October 28th.
It is reported that a Cosack, having explosives in his possession, has been arrested at Katalis among a crowd awaiting the Tsar's arrival.

LONDON, October 28th.
Mr. Jeremiah Sheehan, the member for Kerry, has been arrested for inciting the tenants of Killarney to join the Plan of Campaign.

The strike among the miners in Derbyshire has ended, the owners having conceded the advanced rate of wages asked for.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 29th.
There is no truth in the reported arrest of a Cosack at Katalis.

BERLIN, October 30th.
The Emperor William is at Hamburg to witness the celebration of its entry into the Zollverein. His Majesty goes thence to Friedrichshagen.

TOBACCO PLANTING IN BORNEO.

From various widely-scattered sources, we have recently culled and published a number of facts bearing on tobacco-planting in Borneo; and the announcement of a British protectorate over a large portion of the country affords a convenient opportunity for considering the subject as a whole. The decadence of Java, the price of that famous tobacco is falling not on account of over-production, but because the quality of the product is deteriorating, the result of the cultivation of inferior soils. For the fine leaf demand is keener than ever, and the prospects of North Borneo plantations may be said to hinge on the quality of the tobacco they may produce; if he can be employed for "coverings," these estates will soon be placed in a very enviable position. There is of course no longer any doubt that tobacco will grow in North Borneo, and the question of quality seems to be in a fair way to be definitely settled. A Dutch contemporary says of Borneo tobacco: "It is used as coverings for cigars, the large size, and extreme softness and silkiness of the leaf admirably fitting it for this purpose." This favourable opinion of Borneo leaf has been confirmed by a number of experts. As a matter of fact, the last sale of Borneo tobacco in Holland was that of the crop grown on the Ranau Estate by the Count de Gille. This shipment realised fl. 126, or less than was expected by some; but if we are rightly informed a serious accident happened to the drying sheds while full of tobacco, and the quality suffered greatly in consequence. Still fl. 126 is a very good and remunerative rate, and it is the manager of many Deli estates would be well pleased if their crops would sell at the same price.

With one exception, the plantations are all the property of foreigners, the majority of these being Dutchmen, who find that British Borneo offers them greater inducements than either Sumatra or Java. Indeed North Borneo is "British" more in name than in substance, the only purely English establishment in the country worth mentioning being the Planting and Trading Company. Even in the shipping trade, which we are apt to look upon as being peculiarly our own, the foreign element enters largely in the competing steamship lines. So far as tobacco planting is concerned, this is hardly to be regretted, and it is very encouraging to find experienced planters leaving Deli and Java for North Borneo. They know thoroughly well what they are about, and are the best judges of soil, climate and the other conditions relating to the successful cultivation of tobacco. The present keen demand for land, however, has naturally resulted in a certain number of "jobs" being put through by persons who take out provisional leases which, as a general rule, are promptly dubbed concessions. The concessions are then sold at a profit, before the land is selected or surveyed, or a strike of money is profitable solely to those to whom "lease" and "concession" are convertible terms, and is not of much benefit to the country in which they operate. Land which is actually known to exist, and upon which some measure of work has been done, certainly offers the greatest degree of security to intending investors. It must be remembered by the general public that all land is not tobacco land, and that it is as easy to float "wild-cat" tobacco companies as mining ventures of the same breed. Of course it is a matter of notoriety that many of the Deli estates have paid dividends of over 100 per cent. per annum for several years running, and in the case of Borneo tobacco companies appear to offer a fair opportunity for men who can afford to take the considerable risk which necessarily attends all forms of planting.

The general conditions of tobacco planting in North Borneo are undoubtedly excellent. The Government of the country, though sadly weak and inefficient in many ways, adopts a liberal and wise policy in respect to this particular industry. But it is to be hoped that even the present administration may be improved and formed in many notable ways if the new British Protectorate is to exercise any good and useful influence, and then all should go well. Even at present the way of tobacco planters in North Borneo is made smooth for them by the Government. Steam communication also is cheap and frequent, there are no native rajahs or petty chiefs to bother about, and there is a total absence of fire-raiding battles and many other objectionable elements which have made themselves felt in Sumatra. In these circumstances it seems probable that tobacco planting in Borneo has a good future before it.—*Strait Times.*

ATTORNEYS AND CLERKS.

The Englishman of to-day is a slave to his solicitor. There is no similar servitude out of England in the whole of the civilised world; neither in old-fashioned Spain nor in new-fashioned America; in aristocratic Austria nor democratic France; in methodical Germany nor fervid Italy. When men and women all the world over want legal advice or legal assistance, they usually employ a lawyer, and although the customary scale of fees in England, although often far lower than that in England, it is not the case that the legal name is not worth the candle. But in England it is not only that lawyers conduct our cases in Court; and, after a hard fought lawsuit, find themselves in possession of the system of dispute while the shells fall to the share of even successful parties; but it is that the solicitor is even present with us, and lives, even upon those who never contemplated "going to law" in their lives, a perpetual private tax, the magnitude of which is hardly considered by the patient taxpayer. And even when the money is taken from every year by John Bull, the English life, and his influence upon modern English affairs, are something much greater, much more remarkable, and yet less appreciated, much less remarked. For John Bull pays, not a servant, but a master. There are, it is perhaps, hundreds of thousands of Englishmen of to-day—men of intelligence, men of experience, men of affairs—who would not dare to take a step, having the least relation to actual or possible business, of any kind, without consulting their solicitor. The Englishman of to-day is a slave to his solicitor.

They may be right. The fact remains no less remarkable, and thus it is that the average Englishman has become reconciled to business being transacted with a maximum of form, delay, and expense, and, indeed, considers that business of any importance is hardly treated with becoming respect if it is transacted in any other way. A negotiation undertaken, or an affair completed with simplicity and despatch, would stand suspect to the conventional Englishman. Form, routine, adherence to precedent, perfection of detail—this is what he looks for, and this is what he gets. And it is the temper of the mind which looks for this that makes the Englishman, as it is to-day, a slave to permanent clerks.

It is our social system quite as much as our Party system that is to blame. Ministers and Secretaries and Parliamentary Under-Secretaries come and go, but the Permanent Clerk goes on for ever. The transitory officials called Ministers, can, necessarily, know nothing of the details of inner working of their departments; it is a fortunate accident if any one of them has any knowledge whatever of the broad questions upon which he has to decide. An influential country gentleman, a successful man of business, or a fluent debater, is considered equally competent to organise our armies, to direct our fleets, or to rule over three hundred millions of distant Asiatics. It is in the very nature of things that the new chief should be in the hands of his nominal subordinates; and it is in the nature of men that the subordinates should keep their chief in honourable subjection; and it is in the nature of Englishmen that the man of routine and red tape—the solicitor, in fact—should be allowed to be supreme. A new Secretary of State for the West Indies, let us say, is no doubt as much in awe of his permanent Under-Secretary and principal clerks as he is of his family attorney; and if he showed any inclination to depart from the usual way, to follow any but "the proper course," to interfere with the "invariable practice of the office," or to take anything into his own consideration that was usually considered by Mr. Parkinson or Mr. Jackson; then, though no objection could be made, the official wheels would somehow tend to drive very heavily, and would find its way into the grease-boxes, and things would, without any tangible and censurable obstruction, be made so very disagreeable for the unmanageable chief, that he would, after a course of vain attempts at self-assertion, gladly return to the old and easy way, and practically content himself with adding his valuable autograph to documents admirably composed, perfectly written on the very best paper, and conveying for the most part his august decision, that, after full consideration and deliberation, he does not see his way to doing what has been suggested. The nation endures, and practically is for not the nation supreme—upholds the system. It seems respectable, regular, safe. The family attorney would approve of it. It may be called *bourgeois*, it is certainly unimaginative, unyielding, distrustful of genius, envious of superiority. It is the triumph of middle-class officialism. It abhors Rodney, Raleigh, Lord Charles Blenheim, the Earl of West Indies, and Mr. Froude. It is supposed to be practical; and "to keep things straight." And even if by some one it were to be bent and broken and islands decay, if ships do sink and stores rot and guns burst and prestige dwindles away, the letters explaining that no one in the department is in the remotest degree to blame are perfect both in composition and calligraphy, and they are checked, copied, numbered, indexed, and filed in a way that really leaves nothing to be desired. The system is no doubt a convenient one for lazy or incapable Parliamentary chiefs; it secures continuity, though not necessarily well-doing. It may keep a necessary order. But it may lay on the back of a generous and large-hearted statesman heavy burdens grievous to be borne. For the Permanent Clerk is the modern political Pharisee; and so long as the title on cummin is accurately assessed, and the phylacteries are of the proper official breadth according to sealed pattern, so long as the cup and platter are cleaned with modern English cleanliness, the Office is self-satisfied; and if either widows or enthusiasts "come bothering," there is an irrepressible messenger to show them the door. This subjection of England to the men of routine has made immense strides within the last few years. For the modern Englishman of routine is excellent, yes, perfect, after his kind, and he is not unfrequently to be found in the clothes of a Cabinet Minister.

The Permanent Clerk of to-day is a well-informed gentleman, anxious no doubt to maintain or augment his own salary and allowances and those of his peers, but even more anxious to cut down the salaries and allowances of everyone outside the walls of his office. He has a rooted antipathy to those who do great deeds and to those who think great thoughts. He is jealous of those who suggest, and obtrusive to those who propose; anxious as far as possible to avoid trouble, and to put down those who are likely to cause it, with a firm hand; determined, above all, to allow nothing to be done. He writes a vast number of faultless letters, saying that nothing has been, can be, or shall be done. His motto is "retrancher sur le nécessaire," politically and financially, "en lâchant la bride au superflu." *par mille économies plus coûteuses que la dépense.* This is what we have trained our public men of business to do, as Englishmen do everything they put their hands to, in perfection. And the reason why we propose to think that nothing is safe, that nothing is sound, and that nothing is serious that is not tightly tied with tape; and, above all, that no man can tie tape as it ought to be tied for himself, but that all tape must be tied by attorney.—*Vanity Fair.*

A QUEEN'S THOUGHTS.
SOME TELLING SENTENCES BY CARMEN SYLVA, QUEEN OF ROUMANIA.
To have received many wounds will make you a hero in the eyes of some, while others will regard you as an invalid.
When we wish to affirm anything, it is easy to call on God as a witness, for he never contradicts.
Many persons criticise in order not to seem ignorant; they do not know that indulgence is a mark of the highest culture.
One must be either pious or philosophical, and either say, "Lord, thy will be done," or "Nature, I accept thy law, even though they cry me."

To all mortals is given a tongue, and sometimes a pen, with which to defend themselves. Sovereigns alone are expected to be like God, and to allow themselves to be spoken of without making a reply.
Contradiction animates conversation; that is why poets are generally monotonous.
Princes are brought up to live with all the world; all the world ought to be brought up to live with princes.

To be the friend of a sovereign one must be without passion, without ambition, without selfishness—foreseeing and clear-seeing—in short, not a man.

A prince has, in reality, need but of eyes and ears; his mouth only serves him for smiling.

These words of the Bible are often quoted: "Put not your trust in princes," but the end of the sentence is forgotten—"for they are but men."

Study well the human body, the mind is not far off.

Man's honor wears armor and carries a mace—woman's honor has only soft breeches and perumes.

Animals are free in their own element; does our slavery arise from our being so rarely in our element?

Man is an enigma from his birth to his death; one thinks to understand him by dissection—a child breaks his toy to see what is inside.

Man is a violin, and it is only when the last chord is broken that he becomes a piece of wood.

Some people can defend themselves with the horns of a bull, others have but snail's horns.

One needs a knowledge of mankind before one can be simply and wholly one's self.

If we are created after the image of God, we must in turn be creators.

An assemblage of men is an accumulation of Aeolian harps, whose notes are discordant or harmonious, according to the way the wind blows.

Beware of a man who seems to doubt your married happiness.

To-day's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 O'CLOCK precisely. No. 1165.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK. The Company's Steamship

"TAICHIOW,"

Captain J. A. Morris, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 20th inst., at 8 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1171]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship

"JAPAN,"

Captain G. B. Pallett, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1168]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

Callings at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

The Steamship

"TANNADICE,"

Captain Shannon, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at 1 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1167]

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, HAMBURG, AND SINGAPORE.

The Steamship

"YORKSHIRE,"

Captain Arnold, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

The Steamer is berthed at Kowloon and Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

Consignees of Iron must take delivery from alongside otherwise the Steamer will not be responsible for incorrect delivery of marks.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m. to-day.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 16th instant or they will not be recognised.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1169]

UNITED CHAPTER, No. 1341.

A N EMERGENCY CONVOCATION of the above Chapter will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW EVENING, the 17th inst., at 5 for 5.30 O'CLOCK precisely.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1170]

FOR SALE, CHEAP.

SEVERAL RELIABLE HACKS AND CARRIAGE PONIES.

A First-class London made DOG-CART.

Masonic.
ST. JOHN LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 618, S.C.

A N EMERGENCY MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 15th November, 1888. [1165]

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY, the 19th day of November, 1888, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th November, 1888. [1146]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of November, 1888, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of Thirty-six Lots of CROWN LAND, at Vauvat, Kaulung, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Use
1	Kowloon Inland Lots	Do.	15.45	15	75
2	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
3	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
4	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
5	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
6	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
7	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
8	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
9	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
10	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
11	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
12	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
13	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
14	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
15	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
16	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
17	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
18	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
19	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
20	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
21	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
22	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
23	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
24	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
25	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
26	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
27	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
28	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
29	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
30	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
31	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
32	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
33	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
34	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
35	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75
36	Do.	Do.	15.45	15	75

Insurances.

THE NEGLECT OF LIFE ASSURANCE.

THERE is no feature of our civilised life that strikes a thoughtful man with more force than the neglect of LIFE ASSURANCE. By payment of a small quarterly subscription, any man of good health can secure a very large sum to his family in case of premature death, yet hundreds of families brought up in comfort—perhaps in luxury—are left in extreme poverty every year from the bread winner having neglected to assure his life. In the East many a man lives up to his income, knowing well that if death cut him off suddenly, his wife and children would be left almost wholly unprovided for. All this can be prevented by Life Assurance.

EVERY FACILITY in connection with Life Assurance Business is afforded by

THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE, one of the largest and wealthiest of the Provident Institutions of the United Kingdom. Forms of application and all information will be promptly afforded on application to any of the Standard Company's Agents, or to

THE BORNEO COMPANY, LD., Agents, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1888. [639]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1888. [150]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL: TAELS 600,000. \$233,333-33

EQUAL TO RESERVE FUND.....\$240,000-00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Mr. SING, Esq. Mr. YUEN MOON, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c. taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE: 8 & 9, PRINCE STREET, Hongkong, 17th December, 1887. [110]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

TUESDAY, the 20th November, 1888.

THE AMERICAN MUSICAL COMEDY

AND OPERA COMPANY, (Under the direction of Messrs. WILLARD and SHERIDAN).

Will arrive by P. & O. Steamer from Shanghai and open as above for a Short Season, with A NEW AND EXTENSIVE REPERTOIRE, including:—

"IL TROVATORE,"

"OLIVETTE,"

"MIKADO,"

"THE SORCERER,"

"MASCOTTE,"

"IOLANTHE,"

"BLACK-EYED SUSAN,"

"PRINCESS' IDA,"

"TICKET-OF-LEAVE MAN,"

"THE SHAUGHRAUN,"

TUESDAY, the 20th November, "DOROTHY."

PRICES OF ADMISSION:— Dress Circle and Special Stalls...\$3.00

Stalls.....2.00

Pit.....1.00

The Plan may be seen and Seats secured at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

PEMBERTON W. WILLARD, Hongkong, 14th November, 1888. [1153]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day returned to the Colony and resumed the charge of my Business.

AUGUSTO J. DO ROZARIO, Hongkong, 15th November, 1888. [1163]

Intimations.

BELLIOS TRUST, No. 2.

THE Annual Competition for BELLIOS MEDALS AND PRIZES will be held as under:—

ENGLISH EXAMINATION FOR BOYS.—THURSDAY, 27th December next, 9.30 A.M. to 1 P.M.

ENGLISH EXAMINATION FOR GIRLS.—THURSDAY, 27th December next, 2 to 5 P.M.

CHINESE EXAMINATION FOR GIRLS.—FRIDAY, 28th December next, 2 to 5 P.M.

These Examinations are open to any Scholar who, during the last six months, was a regular attendant of a School (whether public or private) in the Colony.

Intending candidates should send, to the Inspector of Schools, on or before 27th instant, their names and certificates of attendance at School, specifying also any optional subject they may wish to take up.

The List of entries will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, 28th instant.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—155½ per cent. premium, sales.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$85 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$68 per share, buyers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 285 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$97 per share, buyers.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 97 per share, buyers.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$165 per share, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$320 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$74 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 37 per cent. premium, sellers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$216 per share, sellers.

China and Macao Steam Ship Company—160 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$115 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$165 per share, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—17 per cent. dis., sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$61 per share, sales and buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$186 per share, buyers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$91 per share, sales and buyers.

Hongkong Tea Company—\$34 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$121 per share, sellers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—2½ per cent. premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$80 per share, sales and buyers.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$5 per share, nominal.

Punjom and Sunghee Dun Samantan Mining Co.—\$10 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—50 per cent. premium, buyers.

Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—110 per cent. premium, buyers.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—275 per cent. premium, buyers.

The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$571 per share, buyers.

The Seng Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$50 per share, sales and buyers.

Crickshaw & Co., Ltd.—\$41 per share, sellers.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—10 per cent. dis., sellers.

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—40 per cent. dis., nominal.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 100/101
Bank Bills, on demand 100/101
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 100/101
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 100/101
Credits at 4 months' sight 100/101
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 100/101

ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 100/101
Bank Bills, on demand 100/101
Credits at 4 months' sight 100/101
ON INDIA, T. T. 100/101
ON DEMAND 100/101

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 100/101
Private, 30 days' sight 100/101

OPTIM MARKET—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul.....\$67½
OLD MALWA, per picul.....\$68½
NEW PATNA (without choice) per chest.....\$57½
NEW PATNA (with choice) per chest.....\$58½
NEW PATNA (second choice) per chest.....\$59½
NEW PATNA (third choice) per chest.....\$60½
NEW BENARES (without choice) per chest.....\$57½
NEW BENARES (with choice) per chest.....\$58½
NEW BENARES (bottom) per chest.....\$59½
NEW BENARES (best quality) per picul.....\$60½
NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul.....\$60½
OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul.....\$60½

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

15th November, 1888.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Weather	Sea
Wanchow	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Tsien	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Nagasaki	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Shanghai	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Amoy	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Hongkong	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Swatow	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Shanghai	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Amoy	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Hongkong	30.02	64	SE	B	4
Swatow	30.02	64	SE	B	4

16th November, 1888.—At 10 a.m.

STATION	Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Weather	Sea
Wanchow	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Tsien	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Nagasaki	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Shanghai	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Amoy	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Hongkong	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Swatow	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Shanghai	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Amoy	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Hongkong	30.04	65	SE	B	4
Swatow	30.04	65	SE	B	4

The British steamship *Orizles* reports that she left Liverpool on the 29th September, and Singapore on the 9th instant. Had moderate monsoon.

The British steamship *Haitan* reports that she left Fochow on the 13th instant at 3 p.m. Had fresh north-east winds and fine clear weather. From Amoy to Swatow had moderate north-east breeze and cloudy weather with moderate rain. Left Swatow on the 15th. From Swatow to port had moderate north-east breeze and fine clear weather with smooth sea. In Fochow, the steamship *Taku*. In Amoy, the steamship *Aberdeen*. In Swatow, the steamship *Chowfa*.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register).

Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Weather	Sea
Barometer—9 a.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—12 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—3 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—6 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—12 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—3 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—6 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—12 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—3 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—6 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—12 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—3 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—6 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Caladonia*, with the French mail of 20th ultimo, left Singapore on the 15th instant, and is expected here on the 22nd.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P. M. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with the American mail of 27th ultimo, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port to-morrow.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
The Canadian Pacific steamer *Parthia*, with the Canadian mail, left Yokohama via Kobe on the 14th instant, and is expected here on the 22nd.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Duke of Westminster*, with the Canadian mail, arrived in Yokohama this morning, and will leave for Kobe and Hongkong to-morrow.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Agamemnon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 10th instant, and is due here on the 17th.

The Navigazione Generale Italiana Co.'s steamer *Biagna*, left Singapore on the 12th instant, and is expected here on the 19th.

The D. D. R. steamer *Cassandra*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 14th instant, and is expected here on the 21st.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Ajax*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 14th instant, and is expected here on the 21st.

The "Glen" line steamer *Glenartney*, from London, left Singapore on the 15th instant, and is expected here on the 22nd.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

ALWINE, German steamer, 400, Samuelsen, 15th Nov.—Pakhai 12th Nov., and Holihow 14th, General.—Wieler & Co.

KASHIAR, British steamer, 1,555, J. F. Jepson, 15th Nov.—Bombay 17th October, and Singapore 8th November, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, S. Ashton, 16th Nov.—Fochow 13th November, Amoy 14th, and Swatow 15th, General.—D. La Pralle & Co.

ORESTES, British steamer, 1,323, J. Hutchinson, 16th Nov.—Liverpool 29th Sept., and Singapore 9th November, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

OMEGA, British steamer, 480, A. V. Brown, 16th Nov.—Celebes 24th October, Timber.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

CHIYUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,211, R. C. Null, 16th Nov.—Whampoa 16th Nov., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

NORIE, German steamer, 1,674, E. G. Pfaff, 16th Nov.—Kobe 10th November, General.—Siemssen & Co.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, Revsbeck, 16th Nov.—Pakhai 13th Nov., and Holihow 15th, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

YORKSHIRE, British steamer, 1,426, O. J. H. Arnold, 16th Nov.—Singapore 8th Nov., General.—Russell & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Soochow, British steamer, for Holihow.

Alwine, German steamer, for Holihow.

Clara, German steamer, for Haiphong.

Freja, Danish steamer, for Haiphong.

Orestes, British steamer, for Amoy.

Falkenberg, German steamer, for Saigon.

Yung-ching, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

November 16, *Falkenberg*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

November 16, *Flintshire*, British steamer, for Saigon.

November 16, *Ilon*, French bark, for Cebu.

November 16, *Metapedia*, British steamer, for Nagasaki.

November 16, *Anton*, German steamer, for Holihow, &c.

November 16, *Ping-ching*, Chinese gunboat, for Shanghai.

November 16, *Cheang Hock Kian*, British str., for Swatow, &c.

November 16, *Devonhurst*, Dutch steamer, for Singapore, &c.

November 16, *Yung-ching*, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Kathgar*, str., from Bombay, &c.—178 Chinese.

Per *Alwine*, str., from Pakhoi, &c.—8 Chinese.

Per *Haitan*, str., from Fochow, &c.—Bishop and Mrs. Burdon, Captain Combs, Messrs. Symes, Stellingwerth, Perera, Blass, Bennett, Scott, and 214 Chinese.

Per *Orestes*, str., from Liverpool, &c.—161 Chinese for Hongkong. For Swatow.—Mr. H. Sage. For Shanghai.—Mrs. Smith and 2 children.

Per *Yorkshire*, str., from Singapore.—30 Chinese.

Per *Activ*, str., from Pakhoi, &c.—1 European and 50 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Falkenberg*, str., for Swatow, &c.—100 Chinese.

Per *Flintshire*, str., for Saigon.—172 Chinese.

Per *Anton*, str., for Holihow.—50 Chinese.

Per *Cheang Hock Kian*, str., for Swatow, &c.—236 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Soochow*, str., for Holihow.—70 Chinese.

Per *Alwine*, str., for Holihow.—100 Chinese.

Per *Clara*, str., for Haiphong.—25 Chinese.

Per *Freja*, str., for Haiphong.—30 Chinese.

Per *Orestes*, str., for Amoy.—12 Chinese.

Per *Falkenberg*, str., for Amoy, &c.—1 European and 161 Chinese.

Per *Falkenberg*, str., for Saigon.—200 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Orizles* reports that she left Liverpool on the 29th September, and Singapore on the 9th instant. Had moderate monsoon.

The British steamship *Haitan* reports that she left Fochow on the 13th instant at 3 p.m. Had fresh north-east winds and fine clear weather. From Amoy to Swatow had moderate north-east breeze and cloudy weather with moderate rain. Left Swatow on the 15th. From Swatow to port had moderate north-east breeze and fine clear weather with smooth sea. In Fochow, the steamship *Taku*. In Amoy, the steamship *Aberdeen*. In Swatow, the steamship *Chowfa*.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register).

Barometer	Thermometer	Wind	Weather	Sea
Barometer—9 a.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—12 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—3 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Barometer—6 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—12 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—3 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—6 p.m.	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—12 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—3 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—6 p.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
Thermometer—9 a.m. (Wet bulb)	64	SE	B	4
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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

APENRADE, German steamer, 1,475, Hollmann, 14th Nov.—Nagasaki 7th Nov., Coal.—Wieler & Co.

BELIC, British steamer, 2,695, W. H. Walker, 14th Nov.—San Francisco 18th Oct., and Yokohama 8th Nov., Mails and General.—O. & O. S. N. Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 645, J. P. Ulmer, 14th Nov.—Bangkok 5th Nov., Rice.—Melchers & Co.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,060, George, 14th Nov.—Saigon 9th November, General.—Chinese.

CITY OF NEW YORK, American steamer, 3,500.

Robt. R. Seale, 5th Nov.—San Francisco 9th October, and Yokohama 10th, Mails and General.—P. M. S. Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 671, Christensen, 13th Nov.—Haiphong 10th Nov., General and Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

CRUSADER, British steamer, 671, Ogaton, 9th Nov.—Saigon 4th Nov., Rice and Timber.—Soey Sing.

CYCLOPS, British steamer, 1,403, Nish, 14th Nov.—Nagasaki 10th Nov., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

FALKENBURG, German steamer, 989, H. Bantel, 11th Oct.—Saigon 24th Sept., Rice.—Melchers & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 1,171, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FRER, Danish steamer, 397, C. Lund, 13th Nov.—Haiphong 11th Nov., General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

HAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, Harris, 14th Nov.—Kobe 8th November, Coal.—D. La Pralle & Co.

JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, Geo. B. Pallett, 12th Nov.—Calcutta 26th Oct., Penang 2nd Nov., and Singapore 5th, 730 chests Opium, and 6,788 packages General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

SWAN, American brig, 28½, D. O'Keefe, 15th Nov.—Yap (Caroline) 6th Nov., General.—Captain.

TAICHOW, British steamer, 862, John A. Morris, 13th Nov.—Bangkok 6th Nov., Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 6th Nov.—Swatow 5th November, General.—D. La Pralle & Co.

TRITOS, German steamer, 1,142, A. Bleicken, 8th Nov.—Saigon 6th Nov., General.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

VISAYAS, Spanish steamer, 406, J. de Ajubia, 13th Oct.—Manila, via Amoy 4th October, General.—D. Ho.

WYVERN, British steamer, 1,118, J. Brotherton, 13th Nov.—Bangkok 5th Nov., Rice and General.—Tung Kee.

SAILING VESSELS.

DIANE, Norwegian bark, 764, J. Petersen, 2nd Oct.—Sourabaya 23rd August, Sugar.—Order.

ERLEKONIN, Chinese bark, 457, Uplum Examination hulk, Stonewall's Island.—Chinese Customs.

GOV. GODWIN, American ship, 1,459, S. Pray, 1st Oct.—Kobe 20th Sept., Coal.—Adams, Bell & Co.

HONOLULU, British ship, 1,599, Leavy, 2nd Oct.—Shanghai 24th Sept., Ballast.—Melchers & Co.

H. G. JOHNSON, American bark, 1,027, Colby, 26th Oct.—Keelung 23rd Oct., Coals.—Russell & Co.

MARY L. STONE, American ship, 1,420, Carver, 13th Oct.—Shanghai 20th Oct., General.—Pustau & Co.

MONTANA, German schooner, 75, Otto Kessler, 21st Oct.—Yap (Caroline Island), 3rd Oct., General.—Siemssen & Co.

NAUPACUS, British ship, 1,399, Lovitt, 4th Oct.—Philadelphia 12th May, Kerosine Oil.—Master.

P. N. BLANCHARD, American ship, 1,503, M. W. Blanchard, 25th Sept.—Higo (Japan) 5th Sept., General.—Siemssen & Co.

RAPHAEL, American ship, 1,465, E. W. Harkness, 30th Oct.—Nagasaki 18th Oct., Coal.—Order.

THORBECKE, Dutch bark, 826, J. Knippen, 30th Oct.—Kema 1st October, Timber.—Melchers & Co.

VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 14th Nov.—Honolulu 3rd October, Old Iron.—Chinese.

WARRFIELD, American bark, 842, W. S. Crowell, 12th Nov.—Amoy 10th Nov., Ballast.—Siemssen & Co.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Faishan, British steamer, 2,260, S. W. Goggin.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, Lloyd.—Butterfield & Swire.

Ho-nan, British steamer, 1,377, G. B. Lefavour.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Klu-kiang, British steamer, 617, W. E. Clarke.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Klung-chow, British steamer, 559, Melver.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

Paisi, Chinese steamer, 254, J. W. Stavers.—Tok Kee (laid up for repairs).

Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes.—China Merchants S. N. Co.

Powan, British steamer, 1,800, J. P. Hoyland.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

White Cloud, British steamer, 527, W. J. Risby.—Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co.

WHAMPOA.

ARCADIA, British bark, 417, D. S. Eward, 13th Nov.—Ningchow 2nd Nov., Beans.—Wieler & Co.

CHOYANG, British steamer, 1,951, Balmerie, 14th Nov.—Wuhu 9th Nov., Rice.—Jarvis, Matheson & Co.

DORIS, German steamer, 771, F. Raben, 12th Nov.—Chfoo 5th November, Beans.—Wieler & Co.

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,503, A. Croad, 14th Nov.—Shanghai 11th Nov., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

HEWER, German steamer, 388, B. Dethlefsen, 11th Nov.—Ningchow 4th Nov., Beans.—Siemssen & Co.

INGORAN, German steamer, 804, Massmann, 14th Nov.—Ningchow 5th Nov., Beans.—Wieler & Co.

PEKING, German steamer, 954, G. Heuermann, 14th Nov.—Shanghai 10th Nov., General.—Siemssen & Co.

PICCOLI, German steamer, 875, Th. Nissen, 10th Oct.—Chfoo 23rd October, Beans.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

THYRA, German steamer, 664, E. A. Juckel, 10th Nov.—Ningchow 3rd Nov., Beans.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

TOONAN, Chinese steamer, 977, J. Warwick, 12th Nov.—Ningchow, and Chfoo 5th Nov., Beans.—C. M. S. N. Co.

YAMOTZ, German steamer, 814, C. Tonning, 12th Nov.—Wuhu 7th Nov., General.—Siemssen & Co.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Agamemnon	Liverpool	November 17th	Butterfield & Swire.
Apoc	Liverpool	November 17th	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Denbighshire	London	November 18th	Adams, Bell & Co.
Cassandra	Genoa	November 19th	Carlowitz &